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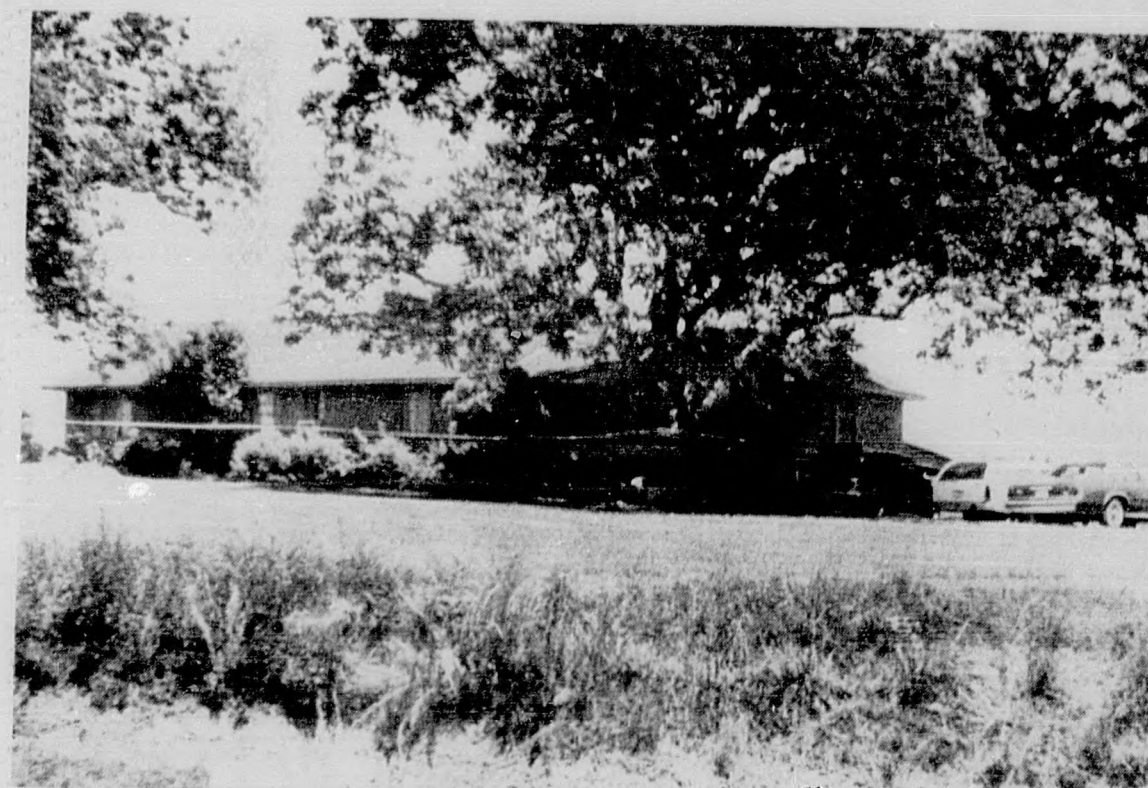
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Robbery was possible motive

No Clues Yet In Murder Of Elba Woman



COUNTRY HOME IS SCENE OF BRUTAL MURDER...This lovely country home located six-miles north of Elba on Highway 87 was the scene of the murder of a 49-year-old Elba woman last Friday morning. Authorities are continuing their investigation; however, at press time this week no clues had been uncovered.

An Elba woman discovered murdered in her home last week apparently died of multiple blows to the face and head, according to a preliminary autopsy report released this week.

The body of Retha Mae Hines, age 49, was discovered in the living room of her home on Friday morning, May 12, by a daughter who had spoken to the victim on the telephone less than two hours earlier. Coffee County Sheriff's Department authorities reported that they were called to the scene, located six-miles north of Elba on Highway 87, at approximately 10:00 a.m. and immediately cordoned off the area.

The preliminary investigation of the crime has led authorities to believe that robbery may have been a motive in the murder, due to the fact that a large number of firearms were discovered missing from the home.

Coffee County Sheriff's Dept. investigator Buddy Ammons reported that the firearms missing included five shotguns and two handguns. The shotguns included two automatic shotguns, two double-barrel shotguns, and a single-barrel shotgun, while the handguns were identified as a .45 caliber automatic and a .357 Smith and Wesson revolver.

Coffee County District Attorney investigator Bruce DeVane reported that firearms are commonly taken in burglaries of homes and warned area residents to be cautious.

I am not trying to alarm anyone in the area in which the murder occurred," said DeVane, "but firearms are a common target for thieves."

Law enforcement officials are encouraging anyone who may have seen anything unusual around the Hines' home on the morning of the murder to contact the Sheriff's Department or the office of the District Attorney.

"We urge anyone who may have any information at all to contact the

authorities immediately," added DeVane. "You may remain anonymous by calling Crimestoppers at 897-3881 or 347-STOP."

Mrs. Hines was married to Steve Hines and had two daughters, Teresa Hines Mauldin and Lisa Hines Fuller.

She had been employed at the Big/Little Store, in Elba, for the past nine-months, with May 11 being her final day of employment.

The case is being investigated by the Coffee County Sheriff's Department, Coffee County District Attorney's office and Department of Forensic Sciences.

GTE To Convert Elba To Digital Switching May 20

During the early morning hours of Saturday, May 20, two months ahead of the original mid-July completion date, GTE will convert its Elba central office to fully digital switching.

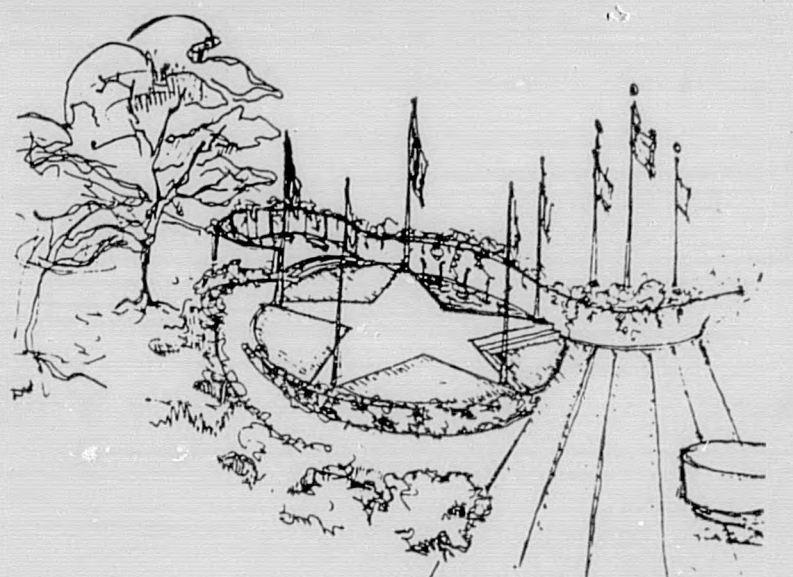
"The installation and testing of the new switch has taken eight months to complete," said Ben Comer, GTE's Alabama conversion specialist. "We've been working crews around the clock over the past several weeks trying to get the project completed ahead of schedule."

According to Comer, Elba telephone customers should experience no interruptions in their service after the conversion from the present switch to the new state-of-the-art fully digital switch because of the "magnitude of testing" which occurred prior to the conversion. "All final testing of individual customer lines, as well as testing of the switch itself, is 99-percent complete at this time," said Comer.

He reported that all 3,200 Elba customers were contacted during April by GTE retirees who conducted "Call-through/Circle Testing" for GTE as part of the telephone company's pre-conversion troubleshooting procedure.

Further service enhancements will occur during July when Equal Access for long distance companies other than AT & T will be available in Elba. Equal Access will provide telephone customers the opportunity to choose among long distance companies which may decide to offer their services in the community.

"These service improvements are part of GTE's continuing commitment to respond to the requirements and requests of our customers," said Comer. "Providing the excellent quality telephone service our customers have grown to expect is the primary goal of GTE."



Billy Boy Given Death Sentence

Calling the beating death of 87-year-old Elmo Roberts the "most heinous, atrocious, cruel crime" ever to come before him during his 10-plus years on the bench, Circuit Judge Gary McAilley last week overruled the recommended life sentence of Willie Simmons, "Billy Boy" Jackson and ordered the convicted murderer to death.

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Jackson, age 39, was convicted of capital murder and forgery on Feb. 3 by an Elba jury, and after deliberations, the jury recommended the sentence of life without parole. In making his announcement,

Judge McAilley stated he found "the victim suffered substantial pain before he ultimately died" and called it a "pitiless homicide which was unnecessarily tortuous to the victim."

McAilley noted numerous aggravating circumstances, including a prior history of robbery, burglary and assault, and also stated that he had considered Jackson's "hellish" childhood and the fact he had to fend

for himself from an early age.

"However," declared Judge McAilley, "the aggravating circumstances (even standing alone) outweigh the mitigating circumstances."

Defense attorney Bill Stokes filed an immediate notice of appeal on the forgery conviction, while there is an automatic appeal process in the capital case.

The announcement by McAilley marked the second time in the history of the 12th Judicial Circuit and the second time in as many weeks that a circuit judge had overturned a jury's recommendation of life and sentenced a defendant to death.

Two weeks ago, Judge Riley Green sentenced Henry Louis Russell to death for the murder of a rural Pike County resident.

Representative Jimmy Holley Receives Third Legislative Leadership Award

Water & Electric Board Receives Financial Report

Paying the bills and discussing the financial condition of the utility were the main items of business for the Elba Water and Electric Board last week.

Chairman Mickey Murdock took pains to be sure each board member understood the cash flow statement and the comparative balance sheet he had helped the bookkeeping department prepare.

The cash flow statement showed the utility has had available \$935,496 in cash balance and income since September 30, 1988. The utility has spent \$422,681, leaving a cash balance of \$512,815. Much of this cash balance is actually in escrow accounts required by several different bond issues issued by the Board during past years.

Monthly bills totaling \$4895.34 were approved for payment.

The board approved superintendent Fred Moore going to a used vehicle auction in an effort to purchase a pick-up truck needed by the utility. Moore told the group he hoped to find a vehicle that cost less than the \$3,000 that would trigger the use of the bid law.

Accounts Receivable of \$4098.22 were presented to the board. This included late payers, those with meters pulled for non-payment and meters of customers who have moved away and are awaiting final billing.

Bad checks totaling \$220.49 were listed, with two of these turned over to the courts for collection.

Alabama Attorney General Don Siegelman announced this week that Coffee County Representative Jimmy Holley had received a "Legislative Leadership Award" for the third consecutive year.

"Representative Holley received the award this year for the gains he helped make possible in the field of environmental science," stated Siegelman in making the announcement. "Jimmy Holley has been a big help to law enforcement officials and to the citizens of Coffee County and all of Alabama."

During the most recent legislative session, Rep. Holley was instrumental in the passage of three bills dealing with the environment.

One bill increased fees charged for disposal of hazardous waste in

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Alabama by out of state agencies. A second bill established a prevailing rate which allows the state to charge the same rate being charged in the state from which the waste originated, while the third bill placed a two-year moratorium on issuing new permits for landfills in the state.

"Studies have indicated that the quality of life is the one most im-

portant issue when a business looks for a location to expand," stated the Attorney General, "and through the efforts of Rep. Jimmy Holley, Alabama will become more attractive to outside interests and safer for the citizens of the state."

"We can't let our children grow up in a state that could become the waste dump of the nation," added Siegelman. "We must attract new businesses to the state and must assure our children and citizens that they will be able to live in a safe environment."

In 1987 Holley received the leadership award for his efforts in the passage of the Hazardous Waste Control Act and in 1988 he was honored for his work with the Superfund Clean Up Bill.

Signing Held For \$3.1 Million Watershed Project

The official signing ceremony for the Whitewater Creek Watershed Project was held on May 11 at City Hall in Troy.

The first application for assistance was filed in January, 1986 and was approved by the Alabama Soil and Conservation Committee in February, 1986.

The watershed contains 164,600 acres in Coffee County and Pike County, with 83,600 acres being in Coffee County.

The land use of the acreage includes 32,000 acres of cropland, 13,100 acres of pasture and hayland, 114,500 acres of forest land and critical areas.

5,000 acres used for other purposes. Streams included in the project are Whitewater Creek, Walnut Creek and Clearwater Creek.

The objectives of the watershed are to reduce flooding and reduce erosion and sediment damages through better land use and accelerated land treatment on cropland and critical areas.

The objectives will be achieved through water disposal systems for cropland, grass planting, tree planting, sediment basins and gully plugs.

Funding for the project will be on a cost-share basis, with most being 60 percent from watershed funds and 40 percent from the participants. Fourteen large gully structures having multiple ownership and beneficiaries will be installed with 100 percent watershed funding.

Total cost of the project is estimated at \$3,196,300.

Roberts To Head County Fund Drive

Ted Roberts, president of South-Trust Bank of Coffee County, has been named the 1989 Coffee County campaign chairman for the Lukanema Society of America.

The announcement was made last week by district chairman Mac Clark and state campaign chairman George Wallace, Jr. During the spring, Roberts will be contacting businesses and individuals for contributions to the Al-

bama chapter. More than 1,000 Alabama patients are enrolled for financial assistance from the Alabama chapter, with each patient being able to receive up to \$750 per year for lab charges, transportation, chemotherapy and radiation therapy.

In addition, the Society is supporting five researchers at U.A.B. with grants of over \$600,000.

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COLORED BACKGROUND

BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

The killing last Friday morning of Retha Mae Hines, as with all such brutal acts, leaves this community in shock. We all stop and think, "How many times have we been home alone as she was Friday?" It could happen to anyone, but this time it was Mrs. Hines. Her family has our sympathy.

The public figures who allowed themselves to be "jailed for bail" to help the Elba band last Saturday are to be commended. They were good sports to participate in this project. We also like the thoughts of those who paid extra money to have Mayor Fred Moore kept for several more hours after he raised his bail. County Commissioner Robert Stephens is lucky wife Frances couldn't get a deal worked because she was raising money for the band to keep Robert until Monday! They apparently didn't want him.

The indictment of four men, three Alabama legislators and a former house member, on charges of bribery or attempted bribery concerning a new Birmingham dog track effort, brings out a major concern of the people of Alabama. The voters tend to automatically believe charges of fraud when gambling interests are involved. When an elected official is involved, it explains many of the reluctance of the voters to approve pay raises, retirement plans, etc., or to believe the peers of these lawmakers who are actually trying to be honest. Personally we have no problem with spotting dog tracks around the state, but only if we could eliminate the sticky fingers of folks wanting more than the legal amounts they can earn by the sweat of their brow.

One day last week this country boy was blessed with the job of driving our oldest son to the airport. He was wearing a U.S. Army uniform and bound for a tour in Europe. It was an emotional event for him and for me. We had already left a mother standing in the kitchen with tears rolling down her cheeks. My emotions were surprising because I am supposed to be hardheaded and without such petty emotions of the heart. I have walked a mile in his shoes and know it will be a great experience but... my voice was breaking as he prepared to board that plane for Frankfurt, Germany. Each of my children has left home before and from this same airport and everything was okay. Our daughter boarded that very Delta flight bound for Europe and school at Oxford (and returned) and we were thrilled she was getting to go. More than once one of them took this early morning flight to Washington, D.C. and we just asked them to call when they arrived. We don't understand but the preacher noted this wasn't unusual when the oldest son was going overseas on a military tour, even for old goats like myself.

Charles Evers, the black mayor of Fayette, Mississippi, and a well-known civil rights leader, has joined the Republican Party. He noted upon announcing the change the necessity of black Americans to be involved in both national parties. We agree. The United States doesn't need a "party for the blacks" nor does it need a "party for the whites." We need parties for Americans, with each party representing the varying political thoughts free people possess and are allowed to openly support.

We watched the TV movie *Rome vs. Wade* Monday evening, partially to figure out what the uproar was against the presentation of the show. It was supposed to be a factual account of the landmark lawsuit that resulted in the overturning of laws preventing abortion in many states. Apparently many anti-abortion activists didn't want the show aired and began threatening potential advertisers. We found nothing that should have offended anyone. In fact we would much prefer Alabama's teenagers and younger youth to see that movie than the one they will probably see before the week is out. There was no profanity, no explicit sexual scenes, etc. Apparently it was an effort to show exactly what happened without inserting editorial opinions for or against the decision.

CF Walkathon Set For Saturday, May 20 In Elba

The Elba Senior Beta Club will sponsor a Cystic Fibrosis Walkathon Sunday afternoon, May 21. Walkers are asked to meet at the high school parking lot.

Construction Work Underway On Highway 125 In Coffee County

The State of Alabama Highway Department advises the traveling public that Couch, Inc. began work May 15 on Alabama Highway 125 from the intersection of Alabama 125 and Alabama 167 North to the Pike County line.

Work will consist of widening, resurfacing and painting traffic stripe. Highway officials say the contractor will furnish adequate traffic control warning devices, including flagmen, reflectorized signs, warning lights, cones, barricades and any other devices deemed necessary to protect the traveling public during the project.

ELBA POLICE REPORT

The Elba Police Department reported another active week with a total of 6 arrests (disorderly conduct-2, contempt of court-2, public intoxication and assault-3rd degree) and 15 traffic citations (speeding-8, driving under the influence-2, reckless driving, driving without a license, drivers license suspended, license revoked and drivers license required).

Following are daily activity reports:

TUESDAY, MAY 9
Activity included a theft at Carver Drive (9:01 a.m.), a complaint of a subject shooting squirrels on Guyton (5:25 p.m.) and a complaint of a subject climbing the rails on the Whitewater Creek Bridge (5:43 p.m.).

WEDNESDAY, MAY 10
Activity included a wreck on Smith Ave. (3:02 p.m.), a wreck at Kleimerts parking lot (4:10 p.m.) and a complaint of a cat struck by an auto (7:08 p.m.).

THURSDAY, MAY 11
Activity included a theft at Elba Feed and Seed (8:10 a.m.), a theft at Cox Fina (8:14 a.m.), a possible fight at 84E (6:38 p.m.) and a complaint of harassment (6:58 p.m.).

FRIDAY, MAY 12
Activity included a subject reported shot at a residence on 87N (9:56 a.m.) and a theft at Dr. Roberts Drive (6:38 p.m.).

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SATURDAY, MAY 13
Activity included a trailer on fire at Reynolds St. (1:27 p.m.).

SUNDAY, MAY 14
Activity included a minor wreck at Hardest (12:20 a.m.), a disturbance at Kennedy Estates (11:04 a.m.) and a theft at Stoumire St. (11:09 a.m.).

MONDAY, MAY 15
Activity included a fight at Roosevelt Drive (5:25 p.m.) and a prowler at Hickman Ave. (11:52 p.m.).

OBITUARIES

RETHA MAE HINES
Retha Mae Hines, age 49, of Elba died Friday, May 12, 1989 at her home.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. Sunday, May 14, 1989 at Hayes Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. W. R. Fuller officiating. Burial followed in the Hillcrest Memorial Garden cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Survivors include her husband - Robert Steve Hines, Elba, AL.; two daughters - Lisa H. Fuller and Teresa Mauldin, both of Elba, AL.; one sister - Reba Morris, Elba, AL.; and four grandchildren.

LULA LOUISE WELLS
Lula Louise Wells, age 81, of Brantley died Tuesday, May 9, 1989 at Elba General Hospital.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. Thursday, May 11, 1989 at Hayes Funeral Home Chapel. Burial followed in the Pine Level cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Survivors include her husband - Marion Caroy Wells, Brantley, AL.; one brother - Benjamin Bane, Plant City, FL.; and one sister - Lottie Senn, Brantley, AL.

Historical Society To Elect Officers May 21

The annual business meeting of the Pea River Historical and Genealogical Society will be held on Sunday, May 21, at the Enterprise Welcome Center.

The meeting will begin at 3:00 p.m. and include on the agenda will be the annual president's report and the election of new officers. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

Bulletin Board
S.S. REP. City Hall, 3rd Tues. 9:30-12:30. Call FREE 1-800-325-0334.
ROTARY CLUB - Mon. Noon - Ye Old History Pt.
EASTERN STAR - 2nd & 4th Thurs. - 7 p.m.
ELBA MINISTERIAL ASSN. - Thurs. 8 p.m. - Ye Old History Pt.
JAYCEES - 1st & 3rd Thurs. 7 p.m. - Beaver Dam Restaurant
CITY COUNCIL - 2nd & 4th Mon. - 5 p.m.
LIONS CLUB - 2nd & 4th Tues. - 6:30 p.m. - Beaver Dam Restaurant
ELBA CITY SCHOOL BOARD - 1st Thurs. 5 p.m. - City Hall
AMERICAN LEGION - 1st Thurs. 7:30 p.m. - Legion Hall, Troy Hwy.
BOY SCOUTS - Mon. 7 p.m. - Over old City Hall
RESCUE SQUAD - 2nd & 4th Thurs. - 7 p.m. - Library
WATER & ELECTRIC - 2nd Tues. - 5 p.m. - City Hall
MASONIC LODGE 170 - 1st Sat. & 3rd Mon. 7 p.m.
AA - Wed. 8 p.m. & Sun. 6 p.m. - Old City Hall
BAND BOOSTERS - 1st Mon. 7 p.m. - Band Room
VETERAN'S SERVICE OFFICER - Tues. Thurs. 8:00-2:30, 897-2924
NEW ALANON - Wed. 8 p.m. - St. Stephens Center
NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS - 5-6 p.m. - St. Stephens Center
COFFEE COUNTY CO-OP - 3rd Sat. 3 p.m. - Club House
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SPOTLIGHT ON... ELBA INDUSTRY

Elba Packing Company, Inc. was purchased from Paul Windham in 1957 by Hollis Kelley, Lester Kelley, Everett Kelley, and Max Glisson. Hollis Kelley had been working with Mr. Windham since 1952.

The name was changed from Windham Packing Co., as it was incorporated April 22, 1957, in the name of Elba Packing Co., Inc. In 1957 there were eight employees with two trucks. Custom slaughtering, along with wholesale and retail trade, were the primary work of the company.

Mr. Glisson joined the business in 1960. In 1980 Jerry Kelley and Eddie Kelley became shareholders. In September, 1982, the building which housed Elba Packing Co. was completely destroyed by fire. The remains were pushed off the

foundation and rebuilding begun immediately.

The employees worked with the construction crew and Elba Packing Co. was back in business in January, 1983. There have been major building additions every three years beginning in 1974.

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Unemployment Rate Declines In County

The Alabama Department of Industrial Relations has released its monthly labor market news and in the detailed report it was revealed that during the month of March the unemployment rate in Coffee County dipped to 5.8 percent, down over four-tenths of a percent from the rate in February.

According to the monthly report, Coffee County had a civilian work force of 18,280 during the month of March and from that figure, 17,210

Bullock	11.9
Butler	12.7
Covington	7.8
Crenshaw	6.5
Dale	8.3
Geneva	5.3
Houston	5.5
Pike	6.0

ELBA HOSPITAL REPORT

Persons admitted to the Elba General Hospital during the time period of May 9 through May 16 were:

Vivian Pauline Bolling, Jessie Brady, Lonnie Campbell, Inez Knighton, Kevin Dewberry, Odus Bowden and Curtis Kyle Chandler. Those discharged during the same time period were:

Foy Roberts, Inez Knighton, Kevin Dewberry, Mary Jones, Lonnie Campbell, Joe Pugh, Jessie Brady, James Elderidge, and Vivian Pauline Bolling.

NEWS BRIEFS

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD WILL HAVE HOMECOMING Sunday, May 21. They will serve the church's special barbecue at lunch in the fellowship hall. Singing will begin at 2 p.m. with Jr. Choir from Enterprise Church and the "Country Dancers," and local singers. Everyone welcome.

COFFEE COUNTY JR. MISS ORIENTATION MEETING - May 31, 4:30 p.m. at Jen-Deb School of Dance, College Plaza, Enterprise. Rising senior girls who are residents of Coffee County are eligible. Attendance accompanied by parents or guardians is mandatory. For more information call 347-5897.

Jimmy Johnson Named Logger Of The Year
Jimmy Johnson of Brantley recently received recognition from the Alabama Forestry Association as the 1988 District 6 Logger of the Year.

The presentation was made during the association's district meeting on March 29, in Ozark.

The Johnson crew produces high value forest products harvested from private lands in the Troy area. Johnson was selected for business leadership, safety awareness and conservation of soil and water resources.

The Alabama Forestry Association is a 2,000-member trade association with headquarters in Montgomery.

Area Students Named To Presidents List At TSUD
Area students listed on the Presidents List at Troy State University/Dothan for Winter Quarter 1989 include:

Elba - Sara A. Stirling Ogelsby
New Brockton - Carla Denise Kelley

To qualify for the President's List a student must receive a grade point average of 4.0 (all A's) on a minimum of 12 quarter hours of course work.



GETTING TOGETHER For a time of fellowship in Elba May 8 were a group of friends and relatives, who enjoyed lunch at the Beaver Dam Restaurant. Organizing the meeting was Myrt Donaldson Franklin Conner, who with her husband Sammy came to visit her old home town. Myrt (nicknamed Pat) and Sammy, with the help of Mrs. Della Whitman, rounded up 21 friends and relatives and in Myrt's words "had a glorious time!" While in Elba, Mrs. Whitman's home was headquarters for the Conners, who live in Statesboro, Ga. Plans have already been made for another get-together in 1990. Those attending were Sammy and Pat Conner, Clyde Rhodes, Ed and Lois Woodham, Cecil and Cleo Nelson, Claudia Lee Smith, Jim and Margaret Sowell, Gladys Clark, Grace Smith, Della Whitman, Ether Mae Smith, Bernice Sharpless, Wallace Taylor, Lottie Clark, Dudley and Marjorie Reeves, Estelle Head, and Louise Hall.

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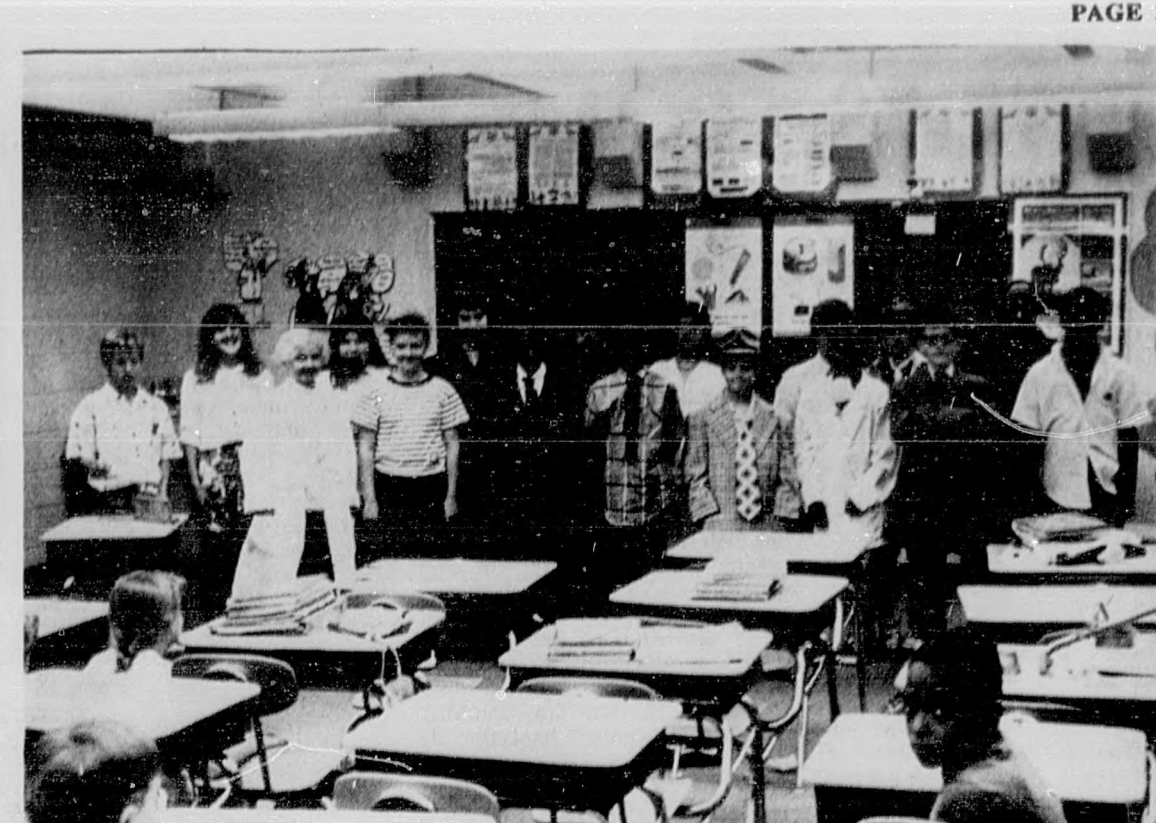
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Elba Middle School 5th Grade Science Class Holds Play

FIFTH GRADE SCIENCE CLASSES AT ELBA MIDDLE SCHOOL recently presented their culminating activities for the school year 1988-89, with the title "Profile Of A Scientist." Pictures are some of the students who participated: (Front row, l-r): Jennifer Jones - Isaac Newton, Destiny Brown - Marie Curie, Shandee Daniels - Jacques Cousteau, Leray Smedley - Benjamin Baneker, Joe Lott - Robert H. Goddard, Curtis Kelly - William Harvey, Randall Hudson - George W. Carver. (Back row, l-r): Tracy Bryan - Julian Percy, Melissa Hall - Nicolaus Copernicus, Jama Windham - William Harvey, Mary M. Jacobs - Johann Kepler, Marsha Tillis - Frederick Banting, Kristy Morris - Benjamin Franklin, Jarrod Adkinson - Thomas Edison, Todd Hollinghead - Walter Reed, Marco Jones - Thomas Edison, Nycoma Coleman - Benjamin Franklin.

HOT FUN IN THE SUMMERTIME

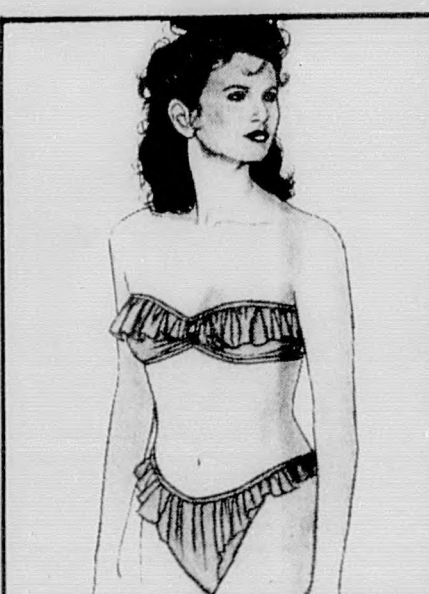
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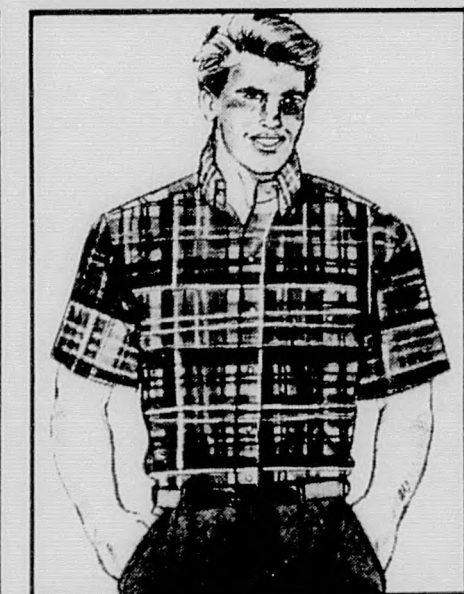
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NEWS FROM OUR EARLY FILES

TEN YEARS AGO

MAY 17, 1979
 ***Mrs. Peggy Stroud of East 84 Elba, was crowned Mother of the Year at Bethany Baptist Church on Mother's Day.

***EHS Black & Gold Review: Junior Student Council officers elected for the 79-80 school year are: President - Karen Grider; Vice President - Starla Whitehead; Secretary - Sherrie Kennett; Treasurer - Pam Kelley; Parliamentarian - Brian English; Reporter - Ceina Hayes.

***New Brockton High School cheerleaders recently elected for 79-80 school year are: Lynn Watson, Sherry Bryant, Diana Bryant, Angel Cassell, Veronica Hornsby, Shelia Hines, Debbie Boland, Karen Maddox, Nelda Godwin, Debbie Smith and Rena Sanders.
 ***Ms. Mattie Mae Daniels of Elba and Mr. Herrie Lee Duncan of Detroit, Mich., announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter Amanda Faye to Sp. 4 Henry C. Holmes.

TWENTY YEARS AGO

MAY 15, 1969

***Seniors at Elba High School were honored last Thursday night at a steak supper in Enterprise. Dean Smith, class president, is pictured as he cuts into his steak to crank off the feast that could not be dampened by the pouring rain that began falling about 30 minutes before the supper was to begin.

***Mr. and Mrs. Edlow Marler of Elba announce the engagement of their daughter Edith Lavon to Lamont Hayes Tindol, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter R. Tindol of New Brockton.

***Michael W. Young, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Young of Asheville, N.C., served as a page in Raleigh Feb. 24 - 28 for State Sen. Theodore Dent of Spruce Pine.

***Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Spurlin of Valparaiso, Fla., announce the birth of their daughter Lisa Diane on May 6. Grandparents are Rev. and Mrs. Johnnie B. Spurlin and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Barlow, all of Elba.

THIRTY YEARS AGO

MAY 14, 1959

***Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Jacobs announce the birth of a son May 14 on April 28 at Beard Hospital in Troy. The young man is now at home to his friends.

***Zion Chapel seniors to graduate

include Billy White, Murray Baker, John Freeman Flowers, Edgar Bragg, Jack Goodson, Mary George Ziglar, Velma Ammons Lee, Sue English, Nancy Lambert, and Ruby Lee Flowers. Bill Daughtry is principal and Levy Lamar Foley Jr. is class sponsor.
 ***Army Sgt. First Class James H. Brown recently participated with the 79th Artillery in Exercise Green Swing in northern Italy. The 26-year-old soldier is a 1954 graduate of Elba High School, and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Brown.
 ***Those who visited Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Chancellor Sunday were Mrs. Annie Mae Norris of Troy, and Mr. and Mrs. Clemmie Chancellor of Troy.

FORTY YEARS AGO

MAY 19, 1949

***Orell King has been awarded a scholarship to George Pepperdine College in Los Angeles, Calif. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Auburn King, Rt. 2, Elba.
 ***John Brock, cashier of Elba Exchange Bank, was stricken with a heart attack last February and confined in the Enterprise hospital. He is slowly improving but his physician has warned him against strenuous work for some time.

***New Brockton News: Mrs. M.O. Fuller and Mrs. J.I. Jones entertained with a lawn party at the home of Mrs. Fuller on Wednesday afternoon honoring their daughters, Janet Fuller and Linda Jones, who will receive their sixth-grade diplomas this month. Guests were members of their class, the teacher Miss Alba Folsom, and Mrs. Euell Roberts of Dothan. . . Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Mathis of Elba visited Mr. and Mrs. John W. Brock Sunday.

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Elba Packing Co. Gives Awards

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Elba - Carolyn B. Blackmon Kinston - Mickael L. Farris New Brockton - Debra C. Hardwick and Diane M. (Lepore) Speigner

Area students nominated for the President's Cup include Debra Hardwick of New Brockton, Mathematics and Science.

Nominees for the Division awards include Debra C. Hardwick of New Brockton, Mathematics and Science.

Honor students include:

Dorsey News



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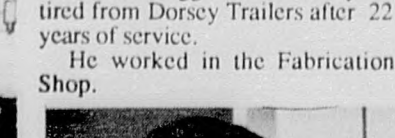
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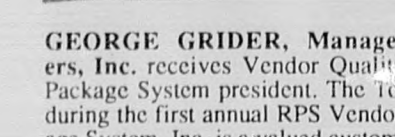
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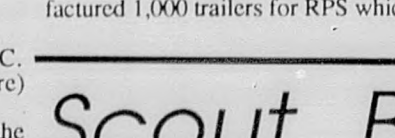
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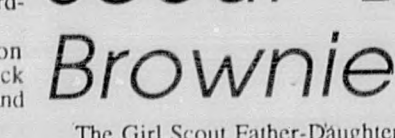
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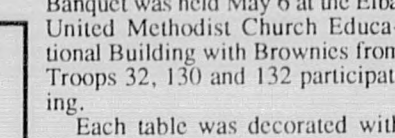
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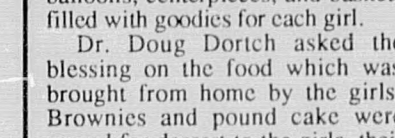
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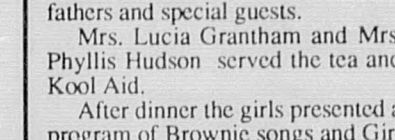
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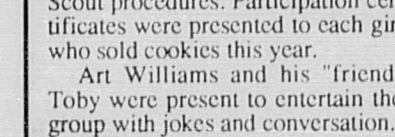
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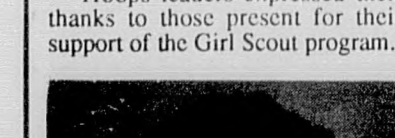
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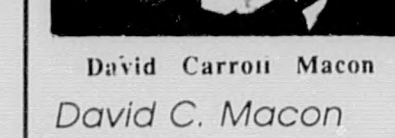
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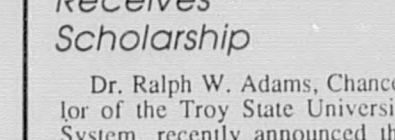
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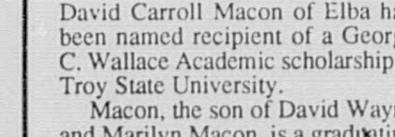
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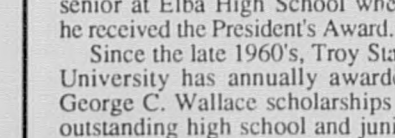
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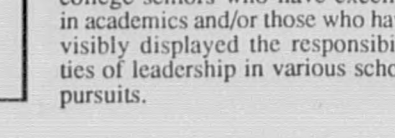
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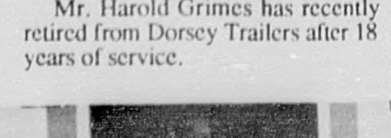
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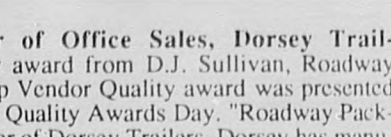
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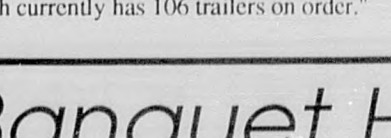
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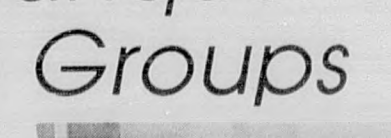
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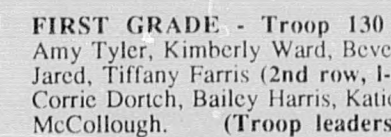
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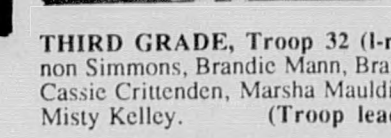
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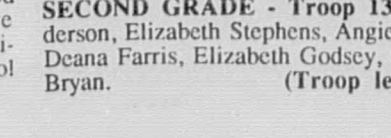
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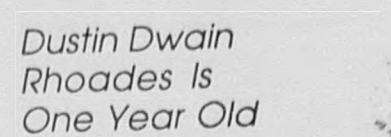
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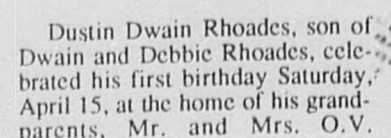
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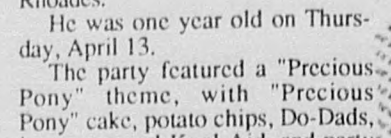
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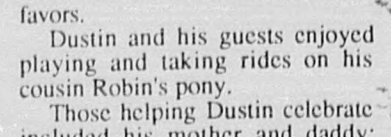
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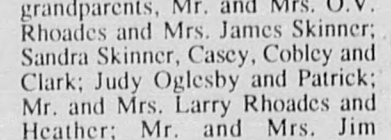
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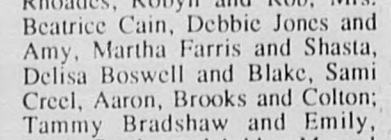
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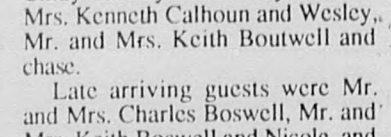
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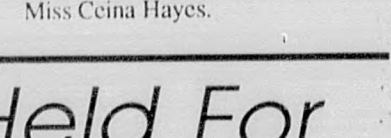
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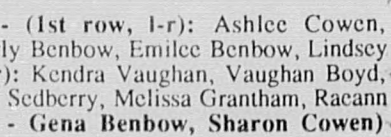
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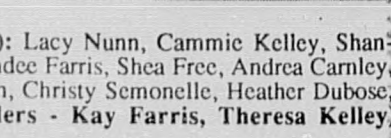
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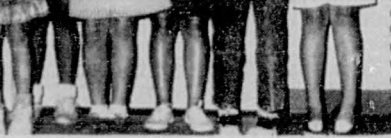
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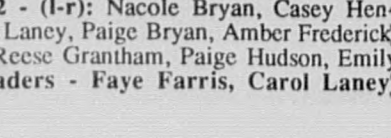
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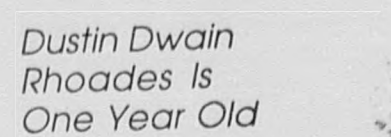
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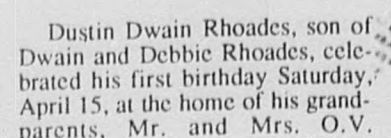
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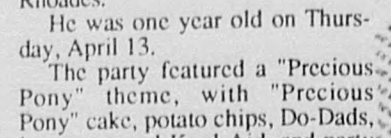
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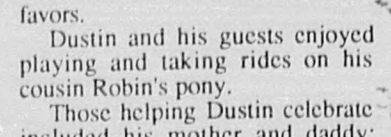
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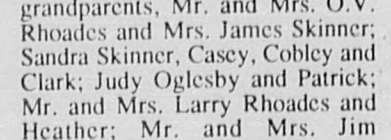
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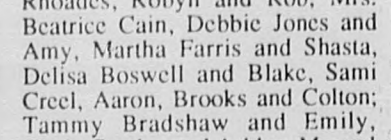
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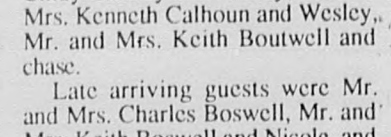
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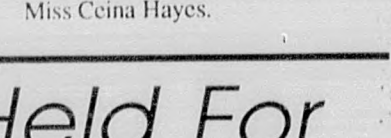
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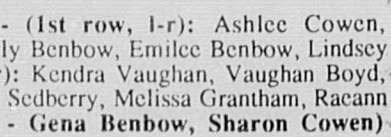
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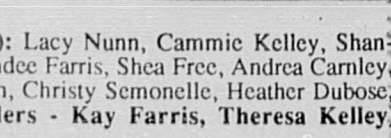
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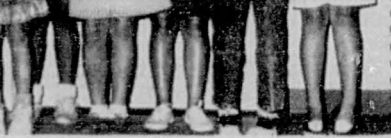
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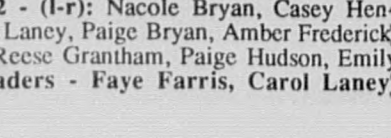
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PASTOR'S CORNER

Rev. Paul Conway
 Elba Church Of God

Religion And Backbone

"Whoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven. But whosoever shall deny me before men, him will I also deny before my Father which is in heaven" (Matthew 10:32-33).

This scripture comes to us out of the heart of the charge which the Lord Jesus gave to the Twelve when he sent them out on their first great mission. And specifically, it comes from that part of the Lord's charge which points out the great perils which the disciples must encounter (Matthew 10:16-39). For the Lord did not shrink from warning them of the many persecutions and perils which would certainly come upon them.

But the Lord paused to tell his disciples, on the other hand, that they need not fear any person nor any thing that could be done to them; that the same God who

marked the sparrow's fall and who numbered the very hairs of their heads would be with them and that whoever boldly and bravely confessed him before a gainsaying and persecuting world would have his own name confessed before God and the holy angels (Matthew 10:28-33).

That is to say, the Lord is here making a very definite appeal for backbone in his religion. And precisely that is one of the greatest needs of the present hour.

We do not need a new bible, but the grace and grit to stand by the Old Book of God. What marvels we would accomplish if we would do just that!

Again, we do not need another Savior and Lord; but we need the courage to step out before men and devils and angels and confess the name of our Christ and take out stand for him.

Other members present were D.C. and Mildred Kemp, Alton and Vera Mae Jackson, Dallas and Nellie Wayne Dean, Mable and Jan Dyess, Eva Pearl Ammons, Irene Williams, Mary Marler, Daisy Lee Smith, Gladys Carr.

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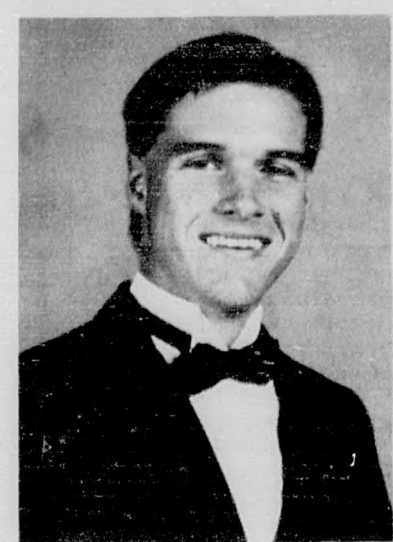
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ELBA HIGH SCHOOL TIGER TALES



Two Elba High Students Will Receive Leadership Awards

Kim McBride and Rob Rhoades, seniors at Elba High School, will be awarded the national *Dare You Leadership Award* in recognition of personal integrity, balanced living, and motivation for leadership. The honors will be presented by Elba High School principal Mickey

McCollough at Honors Day on May 17. The *Dare You* award is made available each year by the American Youth Foundation in cooperation with high schools across the country.

Elba FFA To Hold Blood Drive May 23 At Elba High School

The American Red Cross and Elba FFA are urging Elba residents to roll up their sleeves and give blood on Tuesday, May 23 at Elba High School. Time will be 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.

The Gulf Coast Region Blood Services provides blood and blood products to 50 hospitals in a 26-county, 4-state area, including all Coffee County hospitals. Recently the region has been experiencing type shortages of blood, particularly types O negative, O positive and A negative.

It is hoped that 75 units of life-saving blood will be collected at the school. Giving blood is safe and easy. To be eligible to donate blood a person must be 17 years of age or older, weigh at least 110 pounds and be in good health.

For more information on blood donation, call Elba High School at 897-2266.

Extra! Extra! Read All About It From Students!

Have you read a good book lately? Or perhaps if you are in one of Mrs. Judy Killingsworth's advanced ninth-grade English classes, it would be more appropriate to say, "Have you written a good book lately?"

You see, Mrs. Killingsworth's classes have recently completed writing and illustrating their own children's books. Each student was given a "bare book," an empty, bound book, and told to write an original story that could be read to a future son or daughter.

After completing the assignment with high schools across the country in the Elba Elementary School.



SENIOR MEMBERS OF ELBA FFA...The senior members of the Elba Chapter of FFA during the 1988-89 school year included (l-r) Chris Grantham, Jamie Nolin, Chuck Daugherty, Tim Sullivan, Matt Henderson, Barry Bryan, Whitney Wise, Brian Free, Christy Owens, Brett Bryan, Mandy Ham, Ron Bryant, Shiloh Allen, Advisor Mike Harrelson, Derrick Stinson and Tara Rhodes.

Elba FFA Chapter Holds Annual Awards Banquet

By Shiloh Allen

On the night of May 9, the Elba Chapter of Future Farmers of America held its annual awards banquet in the Elba High School cafeteria.

The banquet began with opening ceremonies led by Chris Grantham, FFA president. Members and guests then enjoyed a meal prepared by the luncheon staff.

Entertainment was provided by the FFA String Band, Tara Rhodes and Chad Tindol.

Awards were given by Mike Harrelson, FFA advisor.

Officers held a special ceremony honoring Mr. "Babe" McCollough and Mr. Roland Powell.

MENU MAY 18-24

ELEMENTARY AND MIDDLE SCHOOL BREAKFAST

Monday - Cereal, Juice, Milk
Tuesday - Biscuits and Sausage, Jelly, (Homemade), Juice, Milk
Wednesday - Pancakes with Syrup, Milk

Thursday - Toast, Bacon, Jelly, Milk
Friday - Cereal, Juice, Milk

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL LUNCH

Monday - Vegetable Beef Soup, Cheese Sandwich, Fruit, Crackers, Milk
Tuesday - Ravioli with Meat Sauce, Cheese, Green Beans, Crackers and Fruit, Milk

Wednesday - Hamburger with Lettuce, Tomato, Dill, French Fries, Pudding, Fruit, Milk
Thursday - Pizza, Corn-on-Cob, Fruit, Cookie, Milk

Friday - Taco Salad, Doritos, Shredded Cheese, Lettuce, Corn-on-Cob, Milk and Fruit

ELBA HIGH SCHOOL LUNCH

Monday - Manager's Choice
Tuesday - Fried Chicken, Rice and Gravy, Garden Peas, Dessert, Milk, Rolls

Wednesday - Charbroiled Hamburger, French Fries, Catsup, Lettuce, Tomato, Dill and Onions, Cheese, Slice, Brownie, Milk

Thursday - Corn Dog, French Fries, Field Peas, Macaroni and Cheese, Cobbler, Pie, Milk
Friday - Hamburger on Bun, Lettuce, Tomato, Dill and Onions, French Fries, Catsup, Baked Beans, Apple Wedge, Milk

DO YOU REMEMBER??

By Melissa Prichard

The last set of questions and answers were:

1. What was Timmy's wonderful dog named?
Lassie

2. What was Little Orphan Annie's dog named?
Sandy

3. What was Shaggy's dog named?
Scooby-Do

It is said that new love is found in spring, so let's take a look at some of TV's couples.

1. Who does Joanie of "Happy Days" love?
2. What is Harriett's soft-spoken husband named on "Little House on the Prairie?"
3. Kate was Edward's girl friend and later wife on what popular sitcom?

Tune in next week for the answers!

Kris Scarborough

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Chris Grantham (left) received the D.K. Bell Agricultural Accomplishment Award and named the recipient of the Harry Moody Award was Tara Rhodes. Pictured with the honorees is advisor Mike Harrelson.



Ron Bryant and Tim Sullivan received the Mike Canley Woodworking Award and Brian Free received the R.S. Jones Award at the annual FFA banquet. Pictured above (l-r) Mike Canley, Ron Bryant, Tim Sullivan, Mike Harrelson, Brian Free and R.S. Jones.



Derrick Deal (left) was named the winner of the Star Green Hand Award at the FFA banquet and named the winner of the Star Chapter Award was Chuck Daugherty (right). Also pictured is Mike Harrelson, Advisor.



FFA OFFICERS...for the 1988-89 school year included (l-r) Tim Sullivan-Treasurer, Tony Allen-Sentinel, Barry Bryan-1st VP, Ron Bryant-Secretary, Brian Free-Student Advisor, Chuck Daugherty-2nd VP, Chris Grantham-President, Shiloh Allen-Reporter and Mike Harrelson-Advisor.

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Scholarship-winning seniors are Kenneth Marler, Jackie Herbert, Michelle McLendon, Rhonda Jackson, Randy Flowers, Dana Dean and Lisa Holcomb.

SENIORS AWARDED SCHOLARSHIPS

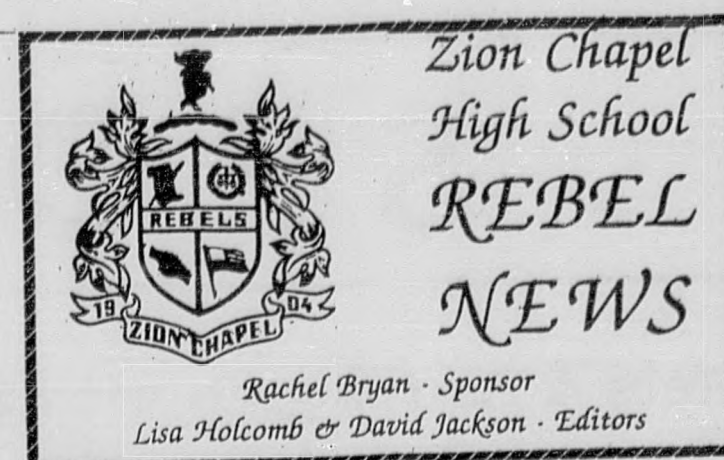
By Jackie Herbert

Scholarships have been awarded to seven members of the senior class. Kenneth Marler, Jackie Herbert, and Michelle McLendon each was awarded a Presidential Scholarship to Troy State University. The scholarships cover tuition for four years and were awarded based on the students' high school grade point averages and ACT scores. To keep the scholarships for the full four years the students must maintain at least a 3.0 grade point average.

Rhonda Jackson received a journalism scholarship to Troy State. Copies of Rhonda's work on *The Rebel News* were sent to the university to be reviewed. Her scholarship covers half tuition for four years; she must be a member of the *Tropititan* staff to maintain the scholarship.

The George C. Wallace Leadership Scholarship was awarded to Randy Flowers and covers tuition for four years to Troy State University. Randy received the scholarship for being president of the Student Government Association at Zion Chapel. He must maintain a 2.6 grade point average to keep the scholarship.

Dana Dean and Lisa Holcomb received academic scholarships to Enterprise State Junior College, based on their grade point average. The scholarships cover books and tuition for two years. They must maintain a 3.0 grade-point average to keep their scholarships.



Rachel Bryan - Sponsor
Lisa Holcomb & David Jackson - Editors

Yearbook Deadline Met

By Gayle Pyfrom

Most of the *Rebel '89* yearbook was finished, finalized and packed away last week by an untiring staff working furiously to meet a deadline.

Although there are a few pages that will have to be done later, the staff was able - with considerable prodding from the sponsor Mrs. Bryan - to get the heart of the yearbook sent off.

These final layouts were finished after a chaotic week of typing, drawing, writing, figuring, and last minute fixings which caused no little muzzling and complaining among frustrated staff members feeling the pressure.

"It's hard work - very hard work," said Fran Wallace, taking time out from doing some last minute work while staff members Toby Lowery and Ashley Wise used the words "complicated" and "challenging" to express their sentiments.

Said Mrs. Bryan: "This is the sixteenth yearbook I've sponsored and I'm beginning to be a little bit burned out, but I still enjoy the yearbook work - especially when I see the finished product."

There were quite a few staff members who agreed the work was indeed rewarding and, yes, "worth it." Tonya Bell and Melissa Stephens boasted of having acquired a "greater sense of responsibility," and Rhonda Jackson said (just a little sarcastically), "I have truly enjoyed myself."

SGA Paints Parking Lot

By Randy Flowers

Crazy drivers - they either park crooked so you can't park straight, or park just far enough apart so you can't get your car between them.

This was a regular complaint at Zion Chapel until recently when the Student Government Association painted markers on the faculty parking lot.

In preparation to "National Teachers Day," the SGA members stayed after school last Friday to paint markers on the parking lot curbs. The task, lasting about an hour, consisted of buying paint and paint brushes, measuring off the parking lot, cleaning off the curb and painting the markers.

The organization also numbered the parking places in order to raise money in the future by raffling them off.

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Wednesday - Hot Biscuits, Smoked Sausage & Jelly Or Cereal, Juice, Milk

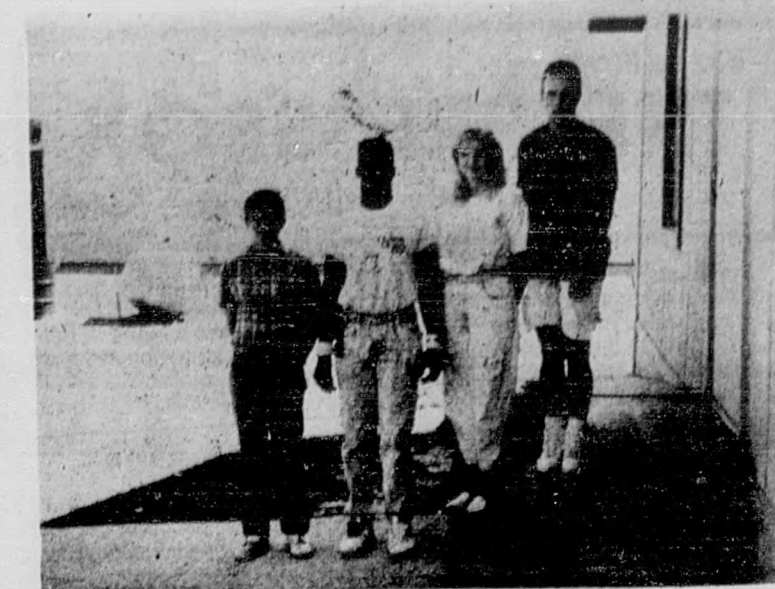
LUNCH
Monday - Burrito, Hamburger, Mexican Corn, String Beans, Fruit Salad, Fruit, Cinnamon Roll, Milk
Tuesday - Hot dog, Fried Chicken, Macaroni Salad, French Fries, Peas and Carrots, Fresh Fruit, Fruit, Cookie, Milk
Wednesday - Pizza, Ravioli, Cole Slaw, Mixed Vegetable Casserole, Peach Slices, Fresh Fruit, Cookie, Milk

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Members of the land judging team that will participate in state competition are Kenneth Marler, Chris Moultry, Pam Langley, and Kendall Grissett.

LAND JUDGING TEAM ADVANCES TO STATE

By Stuart Nelson and Jeff Hussey

Zion Chapel's Future Farmers of America (FFA) Land Judging team won second place at the district competition. The team had to judge dirt from four different holes. In each hole they looked for surface texture, permeability, depth of soil, slope, and erosion. After they finished they had to tell if the land was suitable for a home site, row cropping, pasture land or forest land. Kenneth Marler, Chris Moultry, Pam Langley, and Kendall Grissett scored highest and only lost by one point to Hartford. The team will compete at state competition on June 5. Kendall Grissett scored the highest on his team. The livestock judging team also won third place at district competition. The main things the team must consider in judging livestock include length and thickness of the body, leg soundness, and growth according to the age of the animal.

National Teachers Day Celebrated Recently

By Lisa Holcomb

Several of Zion Chapel's organizations celebrated National Teachers Day by showing their appreciation for the teachers with gifts of food and flowers.

The Beta Club began this special day by giving each teacher and member of the administration a sausage biscuit and a large orange juice from Hardee's.

At recess, the Student Government Association provided cookies, fruits and vegetables, punch, and coffee as refreshments for the teachers.

Then at lunch the Future Homemakers of America gave the teachers another special treat. They had a red velvet cake for both first and second lunches.

Some teachers even were given corsages from students, thanking them for all their time and great teaching. Posters were put up in the halls to help celebrate National Teachers Day on Tuesday, May 9.

They showed students how to use easy home care instructions. The first step was to clean the models' faces with a creamy cleanser. After this a mask was applied and left on for 20 minutes. After the mask was removed, a moisturizer was applied and the process was over.

Mr. Rushing and Mrs. Martin will be returning to school on May 24 to demonstrate applying make-up and will also discuss hair care.

With the help of models Pam Franklin and Gary Grissett, Mr. Rushing and Mrs. Martin demonstrated how to properly clean your face.

Facials Demonstrated In Home Ec

By Melissa Stephens

Do you know how to take proper care of your skin? Do you clean your face every day?

These are some of the questions that were asked by Mr. Dondy Rushing and Mrs. Retha Martin during their visit to a Home Economics class.

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Views From THE PRESSBOX

By, Ricky Mulaz, Editor

I've wanted to live in the country ever since I was a little boy visiting my grandparents in Lowndes County and still dream about being able to take long walks in the woods, letting my little girls have a collie to run and play with and being able to just sit back in the late afternoon and hear nothing but the wind blowing through the trees. Living in town ain't all bad, I guess I just love to dream!

ELBA PLAYERS SELECTED FOR ALL-STAR GAME

The Lions' Club will sponsor their annual East-West All-Star baseball game around the state this weekend and included on the roster for the game to be played in Enterprise will be Elba's Leon Coleman and Stevie Sauls.

Coleman and Sauls were both three-year starters for the Tigers and led the team to three straight state tournament appearances. The duo came up through the system in Elba playing Dixie Youth, Babe Ruth, Senior Babe Ruth and high school ball, and are two of the best players to come through the program in many years.

The event in Enterprise will pit players from towns in east Alabama against teams from the west part of the area, and should be a real showcase for local high school talent. Major league, college and junior college scouts will be on hand for the game, making the event doubly important to all players, and Elba's duo will get a shot to show what they can do against the best in local baseball talent. I think they'll do just fine!

By the way, did you know that Dr. Billy Farris was the originator of the East-West games? Dr. Farris came up with the idea while living in north Alabama and under his guidance built the event into a statewide series that comes to its conclusion with a true statewide game involving players from across Alabama.

BABE RUTH BASEBALL STILL GOING STRONG

The Babe Ruth Baseball League season is now three weeks old and it looks like the Dodgers are ready to regain their spot atop the league. The Dodgers dominated the league years ago and won two or three straight titles, but fell upon hard times recently and for the past two years have finished in the league's cellar. This year, however, the Dodgers have begun the climb out of the cellar and after three weeks are sitting in first place. The Dodgers have only one fifteen-year-old player on their roster, making them the youngest team in the league, and if the players keep on improving like they have this season, the dynasty may soon be back!

MEN'S SOFTBALL ACTION BEST IN YEARS

The Men's Softball League is enjoying one of its best seasons in years and while it looks like the real battle may be for second place, it is still shaping up as one of the most competitive seasons I can remember.

Mike's Gym-Hickman Movers has romped past every challenger all season and is averaging over 40 runs a game, but right behind the leaders are teams like Sportsman's Paradise, Flack-Haney Timber and Red Brahma, all of which have talented squads and should be near the top throughout the summer. The remainder of the league is also balanced, making me wonder if maybe, at the end of the year we should have a split tournament and let the top five teams fight for the crown and the other six go for another. Just food for thought!

IN CLOSING....

The first annual Mike's Gym Invitational Softball Tournament was held Saturday in Elba, and although only seven teams took part, it had to be one of the strongest tournaments ever held in the city. Teams came from Birmingham, Mobile, Montgomery, Ft. Walton Beach, Dothan, Pensacola and Elba to battle for the top prize, and when the dust had settled and the balls finally quit going over the fence, Bel Air Cleaners, of Mobile had the top trophy, with Mike's-Hickman placing second. It was a good tourney and let the top five teams fight for the crown and the other six go for another. Just food for thought!

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S P O R T S

Mets & Astros grab wins in Dixie Youth Baseball

The Dixie Youth Baseball League opened its season last week with the Mets and Astros jumping atop the standings with two wins apiece.

The standings after one week show the Mets and Astros with 2-0 records, followed by the Tigers 1-0, Yankees 0-1, Cardinals 0-2 and Pirates 0-2.

Following are highlights of last week's action:

TIGERS 18 PIRATES 2

The Tigers led all the way to bury the Pirates 18-2, in the season opener.

The Tigers jumped ahead 4-0 in the first inning and then scored 11 runs in the second to put the win in the bag.

Todd Grantham got 3 hits for the Tigers, while Charles Bozeman added 2. Kevin Lawford got 2 hits for the Pirates.

ASTROS 17 YANKEES 2

The Astros had no trouble at all in pounding the Yankees 17-2.

The Astros jumped ahead 3-0 in the first, extended their lead to 10-1 in the second and coasted to the win.

Steve Hodge got 3 hits for the Astros, while Jeremy Carmley and Roscoe Coleman both added 2. Toby Bragg scored both Yankee runs.

METS 12 CARDINALS 10

The Mets scored 9 runs in the final two innings to slip past the Cardinals 12-10.

The Cards were in complete con-



HERE IT COMES...A batter for the Tigers watches as a pitch sails over the plate for a strike. The Tigers opened the Dixie Youth Baseball League season last Monday night with a win over the Pirates. Dixie Youth games are played on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday nights at 6:00 and 7:45.

The Mets jumped on top 5-0 in the second inning, stretched their lead to 6-0 in the third, then turned back a late Pirate surge to claim the 8-6 win.

Nick Semonelle got 2 hits for the Mets, while Antonio Orden got 2 hits for the Pirates.

METS 8 PIRATES 7

The Mets pulled ahead early and held on to nip the Pirates 8-6.

ASTROS 17 CARDINALS 7

The Astros pulled ahead early

and coasted to an easy 17-7 win over the Cardinals.

The Astros grabbed a quick 4-1 lead and then scored in every inning to post the win.

Jeremy Carmley got 3 hits for the Astros, while Steve Hodge, Chris Hudson and Roscoe Coleman all added 2. Pat Mouton ripped a home-run. Che Vaughan got 2 hits, including a home-run, for the Cardinals.

Two teams remain unbeaten in Men's League

The Men's Softball League completed its third week of action last week with Mike's Gym-Hickman Movers and Sportsman's Paradise emerging as the league's only unbeaten teams.

The standings through May 11 showed Mike's-Hickman and Sportsman's Paradise with identical 5-0 records, followed by Flack-Haney 5-1, Red Brahma 4-1, Smooth Criminals 2-3, Opp Merchants 2-3, and Peoples Bank 1-3.

Plenty of action as girls' softball action returns for summer

The Girl's Softball League opened its season last week with two exciting games.

The Bluebirds rallied to nip the Cowgirls 9-5. Elizabeth Stephens scored 2 runs for the Cowgirls, while no names were available for the Bluebirds.

BLUEBIRDS 9 COWGIRLS 5

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HONEYBEES 21 MERMAIDS 20

The Honeybees pulled ahead early and held on to nip the Mermaids 21-20. The Honeybees led 14-7 after two innings, but had to score 5 runs in the final inning to pull out the win.

Shannon scored 4 runs for the Honeybees, while Suzanne scored 3 runs and Christie, Sage, Katie, Lakeshia and Bonnie all scored twice. April Grissett, Melissa Mulaz, Heather Dubose, Missy Kelley and Leslie Stinson all scored twice for the Mermaids.

Senior Babe Ruth squad hosts Andy Reds Monday night

The Elba Senior Babe Ruth baseball team is scheduled to continue its season on Monday night, May 22, when it hosts the Andalusia Reds at 7:00 p.m. at Legion Field.

chants 2-3, Food Service 1-3, Peoples Bank 1-3, Shiloh Club 1-4, AK 1-4 and Claxton Corner 0-5.

Following are highlights of last week's action:

AK CLAXTON CORNER 11

The AK's jumped into the win column last week by posting an 11-6 win over Claxton Corner.

Claxton led 3-0, going into the third inning and 5-2 going into the fourth, only to see the AK's rally to claim the win.

Joe got 3 hits for the AK's, while Billy Joe and Rex both added 2. Joe McCollough and Mike Smith both got 2 hits for Claxton Corner.

OPP MERCHANTS 18 PEOPLES BANK 8

The Opp Merchants scored in every inning to pound the Peoples Bank 18-8.

The Merchants were tied at 4-4 after one inning, but moved on top in the second and then scored six runs in the third to take the lead for good.

Nelson, Kyser, Mallory, Jones and Vaughan all got 2 hits for the Merchants, while Rob Ward got 2 hits for the Bankers.

SP. PARADISE 22 FOOD SERVICE 4

Sportsman's Paradise continued its winning ways by blasting Food Service 22-4.

The Paradise jumped out to a quick 3-0 lead and then exploded for 10 runs in the second to take command.

Matt Henderson got 3 hits to lead the winners, while Tim Dyess, Ray Marler, Dennis Pope, Rhett McCollough and Pat Dewberry all got 2 hits.

MIKE'S-HICKMAN 41 AK'S 1

Mike's Gym-Hickman scored almost at will to bury the AK's 41-1.

Mike's-Hickman jumped ahead 10-0 in the first inning and rolled to the lopsided win.

Glen Johnson got 6 hits for the winners, while Ricky Roberts and Van Johnson both added 5. Danny Strickland, John Tucker, Jason Johnson, Rachel Moore and Greg Johnson all added 4 and Tim Williamson added 3.

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Dodger pitcher Keith Grantham prepares to let one fly in recent Babe Ruth baseball action. The Dodgers moved into sole possession of first place in the league last week.

Coleman & Sauls selected for East-West All-Stars

Elba High School baseball standouts Leon Coleman and Stevie Sauls have been selected to participate in this weekend's Lions' "East-West All-Star" baseball game, set for Saturday, May 20, at 1:00 p.m. at Enterprise State Junior College.

Sauls, a three-year starter for the

Tigers, excelled on defense at both shortstop and third base during his career and was one of the team's top batters during the '89 season, while Coleman, also a three-year starter, was the Tigers' top pitcher for the past two years and this year led the team in home runs.

The event is being sponsored by the Luvier Recreation Department and admission will be \$4 adults and \$3 children under 12, with all proceeds going to help support Luvier's Little League baseball program.

The gates will open at 5:00 p.m., with the game to begin at 7:00.

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Monday pickup will be on Tuesday. Tuesday pickup will be on Wednesday. Thursday and Friday pickup will be on schedule.

Commercial garbage will be picked up on schedule.

Trash pickup will be on Tuesday - Friday, instead of Monday - Friday.

Dodgers all alone atop Babe Ruth Baseball League

The Babe Ruth Baseball League continued its season last week with the Dodgers moving into sole possession of first place.

The standings show the Dodgers atop the league with a 4-1 record, followed by the White Sox 3-2, A's 2-2 and Reds 0-4.

Following are highlights of last week's action:

DODGERS 10 WHITE SOX 0

Chad Dawkins pitched a no-hitter and got plenty of help from his teammates at the plate as the Dodgers clobbered the White Sox 10-0.

The Dodgers jumped ahead 3-0 in the first inning and then put the game out of reach in the third by

scoring six runs.

Chad Dawkins, Earnest Baker, Lance McCollough and Jason Free all got 2 hits for the Dodgers.

The Dodgers scored five runs in their final two at-bats to claim a 7-5 win over the Reds.

The Reds moved ahead 5-2 in the fifth inning and appeared headed for their first win, only to see the Dodgers rally late for the win.

Ron Bryan got 2 hits for the Dodgers, which outlit the Reds 6-

WHITE SOX 6 REDS 4

The White Sox jumped on top early and held on to nip the Reds 6-4.

The Sox jumped out to a quick 3-0 lead, only to see the Reds rally to go on top 4-3 in the fourth. The Sox regained the lead in the fifth and held on for the win.

Kyle Dubose and Thomas Smith both got 2 hits for the White Sox, while Ronald Thigpen got 2 hits for the Reds.

SCHEDULES SOFTBALL & BASEBALL LEAGUES

MEN'S SOFTBALL

THURSDAY, MAY 18

6:30 - Food Service vs. AK

7:30 - Flack-Haney vs. Peoples Bank

8:30 - Red Brahma vs. Smooth Criminals

MONDAY, MAY 22

(Field 3)

6:30 - Sportsman's Paradise vs. Flack-Haney

7:30 - AK vs. Red Brahma

8:30 - Smooth Criminals vs. Peoples Bank

(Field 1)

7:30 - Mike's-Hickman vs. Opp Merchants

8:30 - Claxton Corner vs. Food Service

TUESDAY, MAY 23

6:30 - Food Service vs. Mike's-Hickman

7:30 - Peoples Bank vs. Shiloh Club

8:30 - Smooth Criminals vs. AK

MINOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

THURSDAY, MAY 18

6:00 - Red Sox vs. Yankees

7:00 - Royals vs. Indians

MONDAY, MAY 22

6:00 - Expos vs. Red Sox

7:00 - Indians vs. Rangers

TUESDAY, MAY 23

6:00 - Indians vs. Expos

7:00 - Yankees vs. Royals

GIRLS' SOFTBALL

THURSDAY, MAY 18

6:00 - Cowgirls vs. Honeybees

7:00 - Bluebirds vs. Mermaids

TUESDAY, MAY 23

6:00 - Bluebirds vs. Cowgirls

7:00 - Mermaids vs. Honeybees

BABE RUTH BASEBALL

THURSDAY, MAY 18

6:00 - Dodgers vs. White Sox

7:45 - A's vs. Reds

TUESDAY, MAY 23

6:00 - A's vs. Dodgers

7:45 - Reds vs. White Sox

DIXIE YOUTH BASEBALL

THURSDAY, MAY 18

6:00 - Tigers vs. Astros

7:30 - Yankees vs. Mets

MONDAY, MAY 22

6:00 - Astros vs. Yankees

7:30 - Mets vs. Cardinals

TUESDAY, MAY 23

6:00 - Astros vs. Pirates

7:30 - Tigers vs. Mets

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***Thinking of you, praying for you: the Cunningham family, Mrs. Eva M. Barrow, Mrs. Julie G. G. Thomas, pastor on May 20, at 7:30. Guests will be the Grogan family, Mrs. Virginia McGowan, Mrs. Nora Warren.

***The annual Spring Revival will be held at Clay Hill Missionary Baptist Church, Rt. 2, Troy, May 18-19, at 7:15 nightly. The church is located on Highway 82 West, 3 miles west of Wilksboro. Guest evangelist is Rev. Larry Bland, pastor, Old Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Gadsden, Ala.

***Benefit program for Alfred and Vernetta Purvis will be held at the Bethlehem Baptist Church, Elba, Rev. G.C. Thomas, pastor, on May 20, at 7:30. Guests will be the Grogan family, Mrs. Virginia McGowan, Mrs. Nora Warren.

***A program of love for the Purvis and Williamson families will be held Sunday, May 21, at 6 p.m., at New Hope (Valley) Baptist Church, Lurline, Rev. Johnnie Mac Daniels, pastor. All ministers, choirs, groups, soloists, and the general public are invited.

***A surprise birthday dinner was given Saturday, May 13, honoring Asst. Attorney Gen. Milton E. Belcher, Montgomery, in the home of Grover and Eria Belcher Sunday evening. Those attending were Tillman Lindsey, Elba; Ruthie M. Bass, New Brockton; and Jeanette Tillis, Alan Belcher, Elba; Eddie M. Tyson, Elba; and last Saturday evening.

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JOYCE B. JOHNSON

Joyce (Belcher) Johnson, Tusculum, formerly of Elba, will serve as a facilitator during the general assembly of the Second Cumberland Presbyterian Church when it convenes this year in Knoxville, Tenn. The General Assembly is the national body of that denomination. The Sunday School Convention, under the auspices of the GA, will again sponsor Christian Education classes.

Joyce will teach a course entitled "Ministry With/To the Youth." The course will extend over a 2-day period and consist of three sessions. Joyce is a member of the Ebenezer C.P. Church, Leighton, Ala., where she serves as a deacon, adult Sunday School class teacher, and program planner.

She also has been elected to serve on the planning committee for the Ministers, Elders and Deacons Conference which will convene in Huntsville in November this year. She is the only deacon to serve on this committee.

Joyce is the daughter of Grover and Eria Belcher and granddaughter of Tillman Lindsey, Elba, and resides in Tusculum with her husband, Dr. Johnnie Mac Daniels, M.D. She is a vocational business education teacher at Sheffield High School, Sheffield, Ala.

Visitors at Rocky Head M.B. Church, Elba, for the annual Mother's Day program and worship services were Mary Nell (Belcher) Harris, Reshonda Bayona Harris, Edwina Belcher Cheatham, Regatta Renee Belcher, all of Birmingham; Susie Hooks, Bronx, N.Y.; Frances Daniels, Elba; Geraldine Owens and Judy Williams, New Brockton; and Velma Coleman and family, Elba.

Elder J.C. Rogers, Juanita, and LaCanda, Elba, visited Grover and Eria Belcher Sunday evening, and Joyce B. Johnson, J.C.'s old classmate, from Tusculum.

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Charles Coon Employed At MacArthur

Charles Coon of Opp was recently employed as drafting instructor at Douglas MacArthur State Technical College in Opp.

A 1972 graduate of Elba High School, Coon was the first drafting student to receive an associate degree in drafting at MacArthur Tech in 1974. Prior to accepting this position, Coon was employed at Alabama Electric Cooperative for three years as a draftsman. He has 15 years of drafting experience which includes electro-mechanical, architectural, and civil drafting.

Charles and his wife, Angela, have four children: Richard, age 18; Amy, age 12; Sara, age 10; and Brandy, age 6.

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MARTHA JEAN SEWELL, PLAINTIFF, VS. GEORGE SEWELL, DEFENDANT.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA
ELBA DIVISION
CASE NO. DR 89-21
TO: GEORGE SEWELL

Notice is hereby given that the Plaintiff has filed a Bill of Complaint against you in this court and you are required to appear and plead to or answer the same by the 10th day of July, 1989, or thereafter a default judgment may be entered against you.

This 12th day of May, 1989.

/s/ JIM ELLIS,
Circuit Clerk
Coffee County, Alabama
5-18-89

IN THE MATTER OF THE ADOPTION OF
MICHAEL BRANDON DRIGGERS, a minor

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA
ELBA DIVISION

NOTICE TO LARRY MILLER, NATURAL FATHER OF MICHAEL BRANDON DRIGGERS

Thomas Bryan and Denise Renee Bryan are petitioners in this Court on May 19, 1989, a Petition for Adoption of said minor child, this case is set for hearing at the Elba, Alabama on Tuesday, June 6, 1989 at 10:00 A.M. You are invited to appear at the hearing of this petition to voice your consent or any objection thereto.

DATED this 9th day of May, 1989.

/s/ MARION B. BRUNSON
Judge of Probate
5-11-89

ESTATE OF JAMES FRANKLIN PUGH DECEASED

PROBATE COURT

Letters of Administration of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 3rd day of May, 1989, by the Hon. Marion B. Brunson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ CRYSTAL SMITH
5-11-89

Aaron S. Gwin
Completes
Training

Pvt. Aaron S. Gwin, son of Dawn M. Gwin of Elba, and Nancy T. Phillips of Ashville, AL, has completed basic training at Fort Jackson, S.C.

During the training, students received instruction in drill and ceremony, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, first aid, and Army history and traditions.

He is a 1988 graduate of Ashville High School.

Scott Brown
Completes
Guard Training

Army National Guard Pvt. Scott B. Brown, son of Richard and Roslyn Brown of Rt. 1, Elba, has completed basic training at Ft. McClellan, Ala.

During the training, students received instruction in drill and ceremony, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, first aid, and Army history and traditions.

He is a 1988 graduate of Ashville High School.

McGRUFF TALKS WITH STUDENTS...Tracy Adkinson paid a special visit to the New Brockton Elementary School recently and brought with her McGruff, who told the kids about the dangers of drugs and other important information.

Headstart students visit school...Members of the Coffee County Headstart program visited the New Brockton Elementary School last week to give them a chance to see what is in store next year when they start school.

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LEGAL NOTICES

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA SOUTHERN DIVISION

A.R. BRASWELL, ET AL PLAINTIFFS,
VS.
CONAGRA, INC. DEFENDANTS.

CIVIL ACTION NO. 87-741-S
JURY TRIAL SET: 8/28/89

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF CLASS ACTION

This notice is given to all persons and entities who grew broilers for Conagra, Inc. Enterprise, Coffee County, Alabama (hereinafter Conagra, Inc.) pursuant to contract between the parties June 1, 1977, through April 4, 1985. This lawsuit may affect your legal interests pursuant to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and to an order made by the United States District Court for the Middle District of Alabama, Southern District, hereinafter referred to as "the Court" entered on the 13th day of April, 1989. The Court has determined that this action is a class action pursuant to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 23(b) (3) and that the members of the class are growers of broilers for Conagra, Inc. It has been determined that you are possibly a member of this class in that you grew broilers for Conagra, Inc. during the time periods stated above. Hereinafter you will be collectively called "the class."

This notice is being published since it is believed that you are or may be a member of the class of plaintiffs whose rights may be affected by this litigation. This notice is not to be understood as an expression of any opinion by the Court as to the merits of any of the claims advanced by the plaintiffs or defenses asserted by the defendant in this litigation, but is published for the sole purpose of informing you of the pendency of this litigation so that you may make appropriate decisions as to what steps you may wish to take in relation to this lawsuit.

The above entitled action was brought by a group of plaintiff growers who grew broilers for Conagra, Inc. on behalf of themselves and representatively on behalf of all members of the class of broiler growers for Conagra, Inc., seeking money damages for misrepresentation and suppression of material facts, breach of contract, together with legal interest thereon.

The basis of this action are allegations that the defendant Conagra, Inc. breached its contracts with the growers by intentionally misrepresenting the growth and underpaying the growers on a systematic basis. The class further alleges that the defendant falsely and fraudulently misused the growers' broilers and as a result received profits to which Conagra, Inc. was not entitled. In addition, plaintiffs claim that Conagra, Inc. violated the Packers and Stockyards Act and the Criminal Code of Alabama resulting in damage to the plaintiffs. The plaintiffs allege that each member of the class of broiler growers is entitled to compensation for punitive damages from Conagra, Inc., together with reasonable attorneys' fees and the costs of bringing this action.

Defendant Conagra, Inc. has admitted that some of its employees, without the knowledge and consent of management, randomly misweighed some broilers during the period of October 1, 1978, to March 31, 1981, and has offered to pay the plaintiffs compensatory damages for the random misweighing. Defendant Conagra, Inc. denies all other allegations of the plaintiffs.

Status of the Lawsuit and the Class

The Court has ruled that this lawsuit be maintained as a class action on behalf of all growers for Conagra, Inc. during the period June 1, 1977, through April 4, 1985. If you were a grower during the period hereinafter mentioned, you will be considered a member of the class unless you request to be excluded. You need not do anything if you wish to be included as a class member.

Pursuant to Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and applicable Federal law, you are hereby given notice of the following:

1. You may request that the Court exclude you from the class provided that such a request is made in writing. Persons who request exclusion will not be entitled to share in the benefits of a judgment if it is favorable to the plaintiffs and the class and they will not be bound by the judgment if it is adverse to the plaintiffs and the class.

2. (a) Request for exclusion should be made postmarked on or before the 1st day of June, 1989, to: Office of the Clerk, United States District Court, Middle District of Alabama, Southern Division, United States Courthouse, 15 Lee Street, Box 711, Montgomery, AL 36104. All such notices should be mailed by First Class Mail or delivered to the Court Clerk at his office address listed above. All class members who do not request exclusion will be included in this lawsuit as members represented by the plaintiffs. Any notice requesting exclusion that is postmarked after the 1st day of June, 1989, will not be considered by the Court.

(b) Any inquiry regarding this lawsuit and your rights may be directed to class counsel:

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